Two Bad Ants by Chris Van Allsburg

How is the title important to the story?

What happened to them to make them act the way they did?

How is the story tied to exploring?

I like how the author uses thunder to show trouble is coming.

When does the story take place?

The ants find themselves in an unknown place like the native in the book encounter by Jane Yolen

I enjoy the word choice Van Allsburg uses to help us make mental images.

The two ants remind me of the Europeans, how they were greedy, too.

I feel sad that the ants have to risk their lives to get food for the queen.

I love the feeling like I need to rely on the pictures to understand and infer what is happening.

I want to shout to the ants, Ho don’t go into the socket” But I bet I would be looking for something familiar, too.

The message in the story is…

follow the rules so you can stay safe

don’t stray away with larger groups come protection

being greedy will not pay off There are more important things.